Announcement

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TITLE: DFARS Change Notice 19990507

DETAIL:

DFARS Change Notice 19990507 The DFARS has been revised by 3 final rules, published on May 7, 1999, as follows: Applicability of Buy American Clauses to Simplified Acquisitions (DFARS Case 98-D03 1) This final rule revises DFARS 213.302-5 to clarify that, when using the clause at FAR 52.213-4, Terms and Conditions-Simplified Acquisitions (Other Than Commercial Items), the contracting officer must delete the reference to the clause at FAR 52.225-3, Buy American Act--Supplies. Instead, the contracting officer must use the appropriate Buy American Act clause prescribed by the DFARS. Affected subpart: 213.3 Antiterrorism Training (DFARS Case 96-DOl6) The interim rule issued by Departmental Letter on June 11, 1998, is converted to a final rule without change. The rule added DFARS Subpart 225.74 and the contract clause at 252.2257043 to provide guidance on DoD antiterrorism/force protection policy. The rule requires DOD contractors and their subcontractors to take appropriate security precautions when performing or traveling outside the United States. Affected subpart/section: None Para-Aramid Fibers and Yarns (DFARS Case 98-D3 10) The interim rule published on January 15,1999 (DFARS Change Notice 199901 15), pertaining to the procurement of para-aramid fibers and yarns, is revised and finalized. The rule implements Section 807 of the Strom Thurmond National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999 (Public Law 105-261). The final rule differs from the interim rule in that it reflects the determination made by the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition and Technology) on February 12, 1999, to authorize the procurement of articles containing para-armid fibers and yarns manufactured in the Netherlands. Synthetic fibric containing the par-a-aramid fibers and yarns still must be manufactured in the United States. Affected subpart/section: 225.70; 252.22